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FM AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

TO AMCONSUL PORT MORESBY

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AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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SUBJ: PORT MORESBY SEMINAR TO EXPLORE PAPUA NEW GUINEA/  
IRIAN JAYA UNION?

REF: JAKARTA 14209

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1. JAKARTA EVENING DAILY SINAR HARAPAN DECEMBER 27  
CARRIED REPORT, SOURCED TO DUTCH PRESS, THAT TWO-THREE  
WEEK "SEMINAR" UNDERWAY IN PORT MORESBY ON SUBJECT OF  
POSSIBILITIES FOR PAPUA NEW GUINEA (PNG)/IRIAN JAYA MERGER.  
REPORT QUOTED STATEMENT OF NICOLAS JOUWE, "FOREIGN MINISTER  
OF WEST IRIAN GOVERNMENT IN EXILE," AS SAYING ON DEPARTURE  
FROM HOLLAND TO ATTEND CONFERENCE THAT HE HAD BEEN INVITED TO  
COFERENCE BY AUSTRALIAN OFFICIALS AND THAT HE "OPTIMSTIC"  
THAT RELATIONS WITH INDONESIA IMPROVING AND INDONESIA MIGHT  
BE WILLING TO ACT AS "BIG BROTHER" TO "WEST PAPUA."

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2. SINAR HARAPAN ARTICLE SAID AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY JAKARTA CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY SUCH CONFERENCE AND DENIED AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT HAD EVER SPONSORED CONFERENCE OR MEETING OF THIS SORT. PNG JAKARTA REPRESENTATIVE ROBIN KUMAINA ALSO QUOTED AS KNOWING NOTHING ABOUT CONFERENCE OR JOUWE VISIT, THOUGH KUMAINA ADDED THAT ANNUAL SEMINARS WERE HELD IN PORT MORESBY SPONSORED BY UNIVERSITY OF PNG AND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CONCERNING VARIOUS ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL TOPICS, TO WHICH FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS OFTEN INVITED. END UNCLASSIFIED

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3. EMBOFF CONTACTED AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY AND WAS TOLD THAT AUSTRALIANS BELIEVE JOUWE TRIP MAY BE IN CONTEXT OF MEETING ORGANIZED PNG FONMIN BY KIKI IN ATTEMPT DAMPEN WEST IRIAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT ISSUE AS POSSIBLE SOURCE OF FRICTION BETWEEN GPNG AND GOI. AUSTRALIANS OPINED KIKI MAY BE EXPLORING GROUNDS FOR RECONCILIATION BETWEEN WEST IRIAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT AND GOI. THEY SUSPECT JOUWE TRIP NOT RELATED TO ANNUAL UNIVERSITY SEMINAR AND DISCOUNT JOUWE PRESS STATEMENTS AS TENDENTIOUS.

4. IN VIEW OF CONTINUING SENSITIVITY OF GOI TOWARDS IRIAN JAYA INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT AND RELATIONS BETWEEN GPNG AND IRIAN JAYA "REBELS," EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY CLARIFICATION WHICH PORT MORESBY CAN PROVIDE CONCERNING PURPORTED PORT MORESBY SEMINAR AND VISIT BY JOUWE. TOUSSAINT

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